

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

**MAIL STOP RCE**  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
 provides for continued examination of an utility or  
 plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

Application Number	10/650,193
Confirmation Number	6245
Filing Date	August 28, 2003
First Named Inventor	Koichi OHTO
Group Art Unit	2826
Examiner Name	Alexander O. WILLIAMS
Matter Number	Q77191
Title	SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING SILICON-DIFFUSED METAL WIRING LAYER AND ITS MANUFACTURING METHOD

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on February 17, 2009
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
  - iv.  Petition for Extension of Time
  - v.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the RCE statutory fee of \$810.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

Name Howard L. Bernstein Registration No. 25,665

Signature /Howard L. Bernstein/ Date March 16, 2009